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In re application of:

BRADFORD *et al.*

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Comparison And Selection**

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Reply to Restriction Requirement

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 2, 2005, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the invention of Group I, represented by claims 1-6, 14-17 and 22-24. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed.

This election is made without traverse.

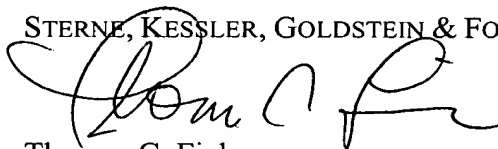
Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such

extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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